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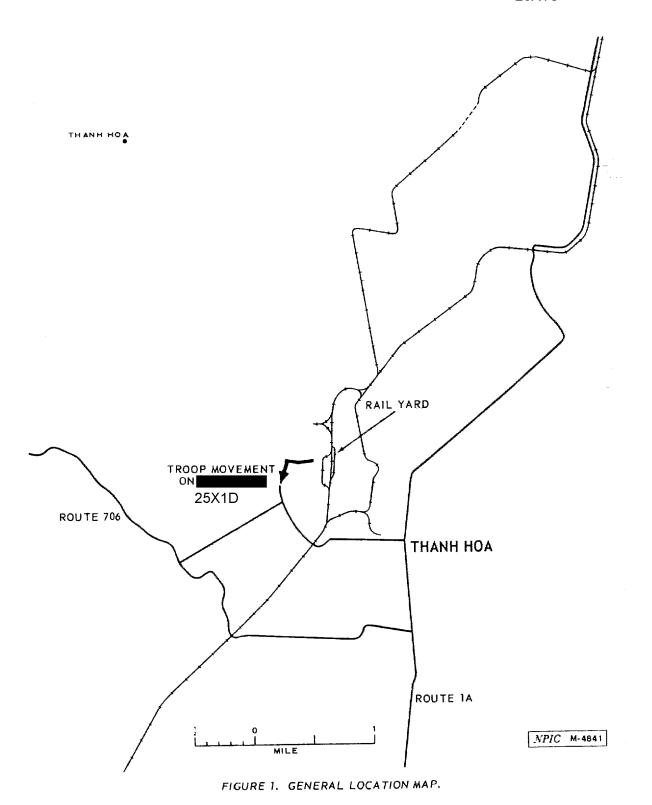
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A battalion-size unit of 450 personnel was observed in the vicinity of the Thanh Hoa rail yard on ______ The movement of the personnel away from the rail yard suggests that they had recently disembarked from the ten passenger cars which were located there. Rail passenger cars have not been observed in Thanh Hoa in recent years and this is the first substantial photographic evidence that the rail lines might now be engaged in troop movement.

At the time of coverage, the personnel were in a loose formation, wearing field packs, and moving onto a secondary road west of Thanh Hoa. This road provides access to routes 706 and 1A, leading west and south respectively, and recrosses the rail line south of the town.

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FIGURE 2. TROOP MOVEMENT IN VICINITY OF THANH HOA RAIL YARD.

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